B-3110 - B-3118 102-122 Warren Ave. (North side) Baltimore, Md. Private access 1840-1850

Although many of the brick houses along this side of Warren Ave. were enlarged and remodeled after the Civil War and are now three stories in height with shed roofs and bracketed cornices, most were built in the early 1840's as two and a half story, late Federal style houses. 120-122 Warren Ave. still retains the two and a half story form. 102-104 Warren Ave. were built (and remain) two story plus attic, two bay wide houses.

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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This pair of 2 1/2 story brick houses with gable roofs and a single dormer window apiece are the only survivors of a group of such houses built along this side of Warren Ave. in the early 1840's. The houses have been covered with formstone. Each house has a two bay deep, two story addition extending to the rear.

The houses are 2 1/2 stories in height, just over 14' wide, and eccupy to 10ts about 92' deep. They are presently covered in formstone, their rear and side walls stuccoed. The steeply pitched gable roof is covered with tarpaper. Each house has a broken pedimented dormer on both its front and rear gable. Double reactangular chimneys are located along the partition wall between the two houses, one on the front roof gable, one on the rear gable. Each house also has a rear end chimney located at the northern end of the kitchen addition. The original cornice has been obscured by the formstone covering.

The door and window openings of the houses were originally surmounted by segmentally arched brick lintels with scroll-sawed tympanum. The sills were wood. These original features can still be seen beneath the formstone covering on 122 Warren Ave. The formstone has hidden the lintels and sills at 120 Warren Ave. Both houses have late 1/1 sash hidden behind modern aluminum storm windows. The modern panel doors are surmounted by single light transoms. The doorway of 120 Warren Ave. is covered by an aluminum awning. The houses sit on low basements, the entrance of 122 Warren Ave. being reached by a single marble stoop, and the entrance of 120 Warren Ave. being reached by two brick steps. Each house has a rectangular coal opening located beneath the first floor window. A flat-roofedd alleyway extends back between the two houses.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

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_1600-1699	*ARCHITECTURE	EDUCATION	MILITARY	_SOCIAL/HUMANITARIA
_1700-1799	ART	ENGINEERING	MUSIC	THEATER
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_1900-	COMMUNICATIONS	INDUSTRY	_POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	_OTHER (SPECIFY)
		_INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1840-41

BUILDER/ARCHITECT Samuel Cornelius

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This pair of houses, along with the other 2 1/2 story houses that originally existed along this side of Warren Ave., are significant as being representative of a group of 2 1/2 story houses, with dormer windows, built in the Federal Hill area in the late 1830's and early 1840's to provide inexpensive housing for the growing number of workers moving into the area to work in waterfront-related jobs. The houses are interesting as examples of the quite late use of design characteristics associated with a much earlier period. The houses are Federal in style, the only evidence of their later date being the longer, narrower first floor front windows, and the interior reeded door and window frames. The floor plan follows the pattern established for earlier working class housing in the area, with small front and back rooms on each loor and with enclosed, steep, and tightly winding stairs set between the two rooms. The dormer story is one single room. The kitchen was located in a rear addition.

An early owner of 120 Warren Ave. was a George Jury, a ship carpenter who later became the captain of a steamboat. $^{\! 1}$

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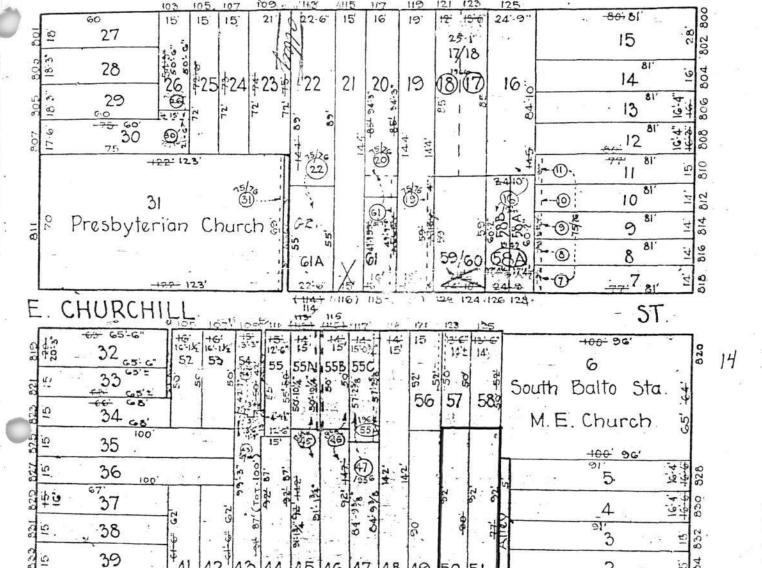
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